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OFFICIALRESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 9, 2003, please entry of the below remarks is respectfully requested.

REMARKS

Reconsideration and further examination is respectfully requested. Claims 1-19 are currently pending in this application.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1-3 and 7-11 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over A.T.T.D. Tran et al., IEEE Photonics Technology Letters, Vol. 8, No. 3, March 1996 in view of Blomberg et al., U.S. Patent 5,561,523.